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450100-4984

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Susumu KUSAKABE et al.  
Serial No. : 09/353,270  
For : **INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE AND  
INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD**  
Filed : July 14, 1999  
Examiner : Chi Chung Lee  
Art Unit : 2135

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

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| (1)                                     | (2)<br>Claims remaining after<br>amendment | (3)   | (4)<br>Highest<br>number<br>previously<br>paid for | (5)<br>Present extra | (6)<br>Rate | (7)<br>Additional<br>Fee |
|---|--|-------|--|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Total claims                            | 13   | Minus | ** =20   | * x                  | \$18 (9)    | = \$ 0                   |
| Independent claims                      | 5  | Minus | *** =5   | * x                  | \$86 (43)   | = \$ 0                   |
| Total additional fee for this amendment |  |       |  |                      |             | \$ 0                     |

- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.  
\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
\*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims \_\_\_\_\_ petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☐ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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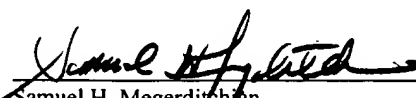
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Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §116**

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Sir:

This is responsive to the January 9, 2004 Final Office Action. Any fee occasioned by this  
paper may be charged, or overpayment credited, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.